

Whip Review Committee Decisions 23 August 2024:

On Friday 23 August 2024 the Whip Review Committee convened to consider potential breaches of Rule (F) 45 following referrals from the racecourse Stewards and their own independent review of races for races run from 19 August – 21 August 2024, inclusive. A summary of their findings is outlined below.

Worcester 19 August 2024:

Race 2 - The Alan Edwards 70th Birthday Celebration Handicap Chase (Class 4)

Christopher Ward, the rider of JAC JUMPER (FR), placed fourth, was found to have used his whip without giving his mount time to respond after jumping the final fence. He will be suspended for 4 days from Friday 6 to Monday 9 September inclusive.

Brighton 20 August 2024:

Race 3 - The Vickers.Bet For Best Prices Guaranteed Handicap (Class 6)

Billy Loughnane, the rider of the winner, FIGHTING POET (IRE), was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from approximately two furlongs out. Allowing for the fact that Loughnane has had over 200 rides in Great Britain since his previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied. He will be suspended for 2 days, Friday 6 September and Sunday 8 September.

Kempton Park 20 August 2024:

Race 4 - The Unibet More Boosts In More Races Fillies' Handicap (Class 5)

Edward Greatrex, the rider of the winner, TOP OF THE CLASS, was found to have used his whip in the incorrect place. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows: Friday 6, and Sunday 8 September to Tuesday 10 September inclusive.

Wolverhampton 20 August 2024:

Race 4 - The At The Races App Market Movers Handicap (Class 6)

Joshua Bryan, the rider of LIEGE (IRE), placed sixth, was found to have used his whip without giving his mount time to respond inside the final furlong on two occasions. He will be suspended for 7 days from Friday 6 September to Thursday 12 September inclusive.

York 21 August 2024:

Race 5 - The Sky Bet Stayers Handicap (Heritage Handicap) (Class 2)

Joseph Sheridan, the rider of the winner, EXTENSIO (IRE), was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from inside the final two furlongs. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows: Friday 6, and Sunday 8 to Tuesday 10 September inclusive.

Race 7 - The Sky Bet Nursery Handicap (Class 2)

Joeseoph Fanning, the rider of the winner, YES I'M MALI, was found to have used his whip down the shoulder in the forehand position with his hands off the reins inside the final furlong. Allowing for the fact that Fanning has had over 200 rides in Great Britain since his previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied. He will be suspended for 2 days, Friday 6 September and Sunday 8 September.

Carlisle 21 August 2024:

Race 7 - The National Racehorse Week Handicap (A Jockey Club Grassroots Mile Series Qualifier) (Div I) (Class 4)

Sean Kirrane, the rider of DANIELSFLYER (IRE), placed second, was found to have used his whip twice above the permitted level of six from three furlongs out. He will be suspended for 7 days from Friday 6 September to Thursday 12 September inclusive.

David Allan, the rider of the winner, YERMANTHERE (IRE), was found to have used his whip twice above the permitted level of six from three furlongs out. He will be suspended for 7 days from Friday 6 September to Thursday 12 September inclusive.

Race 8 - The National Racehorse Week Handicap (A Jockey Club Grassroots Mile Series Qualifier) (Div II) (Class 4)

Callum Rodriguez, the rider of JUDGEMENT CALL, placed second, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from after approaching the final furlong. Allowing for the fact that Rodriguez has had over 200 rides in Great Britain since his previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied. He will be suspended for 2 days, Friday 6 September and Sunday 8 September.

Worcester 21 August 2024:

Race 3 - The FBC Manby Bowdler Mares' Maiden Hurdle (ARC Summer Novices' Brush Hurdle Qualifier) (GBB) (Div I)

Mr Ben Sutton, the rider of the winner, PURE SEDUCTION (IRE), was found to have used his whip in the incorrect place after jumping the final fence. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows: Tuesday 22, Thursday 24, and Friday 25 October, and Saturday 11 November 2024.

Race 6 - The Kidderminster Harriers At The Races Handicap Hurdle (Class 5)

Gavin Sheehan, the rider of CHAMPETRE (IRE), placed second, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of seven from after jumping the final hurdle. Allowing for the fact that Sheehan has had over 75 rides in Great Britain since his previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied. He will be suspended for 3 days from Friday 6 to Sunday 8 September inclusive.

Panel:

Sam Angell (Chair)

Gregory Pearson

Sarah Ellison